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**Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder**REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/03 AND ENDING 12/31/03
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:

DRW Securities, LLC

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FIRM I.D. NO.

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

10 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2100

(No. and Street)

Chicago

(City)

Illinois

(State)

60606

(Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT

James B. Lange312-542-1011

(Area Code - Telephone Number)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

McGladrey & Pullen, LLP

(Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name)

30 South Wacker Drive

(Address)

Chicago

(City)

Illinois

(State)

60606

(Zip Code)

CHECK ONE:

- ☒ Certified Public Accountant
☐ Public Accountant
☐ Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

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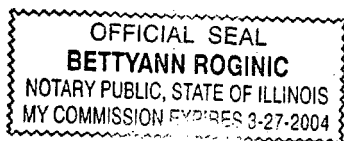
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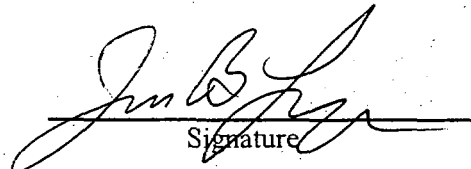
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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, **James B. Lange**, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of **DRW Securities, LLC**, as of **December 31, 2003**, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows: **NONE**.




Notary Public


Signature

Chief Financial Officer
Title

This report ** contains (check all applicable boxes):

- ☒ (a) Facing page.
- ☒ (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- ☐ (c) Statement of Income (Loss).
- ☐ (d) Statement of Cash Flows.
- ☐ (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietor's Capital.
- ☐ (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- ☐ (g) Computation of Net Capital
- ☐ (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.
- ☒ (l) An Oath or Affirmation.
- ☐ (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
- ☐ (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.
- ☐ (o) Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control

**For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

DRW Securities, LLC

Statement of Financial Condition Report
December 31, 2003

Filed as Public Information Pursuant to Rule 17a-5(d) Under
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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McGladrey & Pullen

Certified Public Accountants

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Member
DRW Securities, LLC
Chicago, Illinois

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of DRW Securities, LLC as of December 31, 2003, that you are filing pursuant to rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statement of financial condition is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of DRW Securities, LLC as of December 31, 2003, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

McGladrey & Pullen, LLP

Chicago, Illinois
February 18, 2004

DRW Securities, LLC

**Statement of Financial Condition
December 31, 2003**

Assets

Cash	\$ 99,676
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	117,867,894
Receivables from clearing brokers, net	82,178,775
Securities owned, at market	37,465,922
Receivables from affiliated companies	172,024
Memberships in exchanges, at cost (market value \$6,377,267)	5,563,900
Other assets	312,000

Total assets	\$ 243,660,191
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Liabilities and Member's Equity

Liabilities

Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	\$ 15,223,528
Securities sold, not yet purchased, at market	213,588,768
Payables to affiliated company	3,481,045
Other accrued expenses	33,000
	232,326,341

Member's Equity	11,333,850
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Total liabilities and member's equity	\$ 243,660,191
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the statement of financial condition.

Notes to Statement of Financial Condition

Note 1. Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of business: DRW Securities, LLC (the Company) is an Illinois limited liability company and a wholly owned subsidiary of DRW Holdings, LLC (DRWH). The Company is a registered broker-dealer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and a Chicago Board Options Exchange (CBOE) member firm that engages in proprietary securities trading activities.

The following is a summary of the Company's significant accounting policies:

Accounting estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Securities transactions: Proprietary securities transactions are recorded on the trade-date basis as if they had settled.

Amounts receivable and payable for securities transactions that have not reached their contractual settlement date are recorded net on the statement of financial condition.

Securities owned and securities sold, not yet purchased are recorded at market value.

Resale and repurchase agreements: Transactions involving purchases of securities under agreements to resell or securities under agreements to repurchase are accounted for as collateralized financings except where the Company does not have an agreement to sell (or purchase) the same or substantially the same securities before maturity at a fixed or determinable price. It is the policy of the Company to obtain possession of collateral with a market value equal to or in excess of the principal amount loaned under resale agreements. Collateral is valued daily, and the Company may require counterparties to deposit additional collateral or return collateral pledged when appropriate.

Income taxes: As a limited liability company, the Company is not subject to federal income taxes. The Company's member separately accounts for its pro rata share of the Company's items of income, deductions, losses and credits. Therefore, these financial statements do not include any provision for federal income taxes.

Note 2. Securities Owned and Securities Sold, Not Yet Purchased

At December 31, 2003, securities owned and securities sold, not yet purchased, are comprised of:

	Securities Owned	Securities Sold Not Yet Purchased
Equity securities	\$ 20,690,072	\$ 17,334,475
Equity options	7,136,567	8,177,340
U.S. Government obligations	9,639,283	188,076,953
	<u>\$ 37,465,922</u>	<u>\$ 213,588,768</u>

Notes to Statement of Financial Condition

Note 3. Derivative Financial Instruments

In the normal course of business, the Company enters into transactions in financial instruments with varying degrees of market and credit risk. These financial instruments consist primarily of equity securities and their derivatives as well as interest rate securities and their derivatives. Derivatives include options on equities and indices as well as financial futures contracts and related options thereon. Trading of these financial instruments is conducted on securities and futures exchanges throughout the United States. Settlement of these transactions takes place in the United States through clearing brokers utilized by the Company. These instruments involve elements of market and credit risk that may exceed the amounts reflected in the statements of financial condition.

Various factors affect the market risk of these transactions; among them are the size and composition of the positions held, the absolute and relative levels of interest rates and market volatility. Also, the time period in which options may be exercised, the market value of the underlying instrument, and the exercise price affect market risk. The most significant factor influencing the Company's overall exposure to market risk is its use of hedging strategies.

Equity derivatives held such as options on common stock or financial futures contracts provide the Company with the opportunity to deliver or to take delivery of specified securities or financial futures contracts at a contracted price. Options written on common stock or financial futures contracts obligate the Company to deliver or to take delivery of securities or specified financial futures contracts at a contracted price in the event the option is exercised by the holder and may result in market risk not reflected in the statements of financial condition to the extent that the Company is obligated to purchase or sell the underlying securities or financial futures contracts in the open market. To minimize these risks, the Company generally holds or sells short the underlying instrument, which can be used to settle these transactions.

Securities sold, not yet purchased, represent obligations of the Company to deliver specific securities at the contracted prices and thereby create a liability to purchase the securities in the open market at prevailing prices. These transactions may result in market risk not reflected in the statements of financial condition as the Company's ultimate obligation to satisfy its obligation for trading liabilities may exceed the amount reflected in the statement of financial condition. To minimize this risk, the Company generally holds equity securities or financial futures contracts, which can be used to settle these obligations.

Since the Company does not clear its own securities and futures transactions, it has established accounts with clearing brokers for this purpose. This can and often does result in a concentration of credit risk with these firms. Such risk, however, is mitigated by each clearing broker's obligation to comply with rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) or the CBOE.

Note 4. Regulatory Requirements

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC rule 15c3-1) which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital. The Company has elected to use the alternative method permitted by the rule, which requires that the Company maintain minimum net capital, as defined, equal to the greater of \$250,000 or 2 percent of aggregate debit balances arising from customer transactions, as defined. At December 31, 2003, the Company had net capital of \$3,736,126, which was \$3,486,126 in excess of its required net capital of \$250,000.

Although the Company is not exempt from SEC rule 15c3-3, it does not transact business in securities with or for customers and it does not carry margin accounts, credit balances or securities for any person defined as a customer under rule 17a-5(c)(4).